

§ 7101. Purposes

The purposes of this chapter are—

- (1) to stabilize and transition payments to counties to provide funding for schools and roads that supplements other available funds;
- (2) to make additional investments in, and create additional employment opportunities through, projects that—

- (A)(i) improve the maintenance of existing infrastructure;

- (ii) implement stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems; and

- (iii) restore and improve land health and water quality;

- (B) enjoy broad-based support; and

- (C) have objectives that may include—

- (i) road, trail, and infrastructure maintenance or obliteration;

- (ii) soil productivity improvement;

- (iii) improvements in forest ecosystem health;

- (iv) watershed restoration and maintenance;

- (v) the restoration, maintenance, and improvement of wildlife and fish habitat;

- (vi) the control of noxious and exotic weeds; and

- (vii) the reestablishment of native species; and

- (3) to improve cooperative relationships among—

- (A) the people that use and care for Federal land; and

- (B) the agencies that manage the Federal land.

(Pub. L. 106-393, § 2, as added Pub. L. 110-343, div. C, title VI, § 601(a), Oct. 3, 2008, 122 Stat. 3893.)

Editorial Notes**REFERENCES IN TEXT**

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 106-393, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1607, known as the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note below and Tables.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2 of Pub. L. 106-393 was set out in a note under section 500 of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 110-343, div. C, title VI, § 601(a), Oct. 3, 2008, 122 Stat. 3893.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**SHORT TITLE**

Pub. L. 106-393, § 1, as added by Pub. L. 110-343, div. C, title VI, § 601(a), Oct. 3, 2008, 122 Stat. 3893, provided that: “This Act [enacting this chapter, amending section 191 of Title 30, Mineral Lands and Mining, and section 6903 of Title 31, Money and Finance, enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 181 and 191 of Title 30, and repealing provisions set out as notes under section 500 of this title and former section 1181f of Title 43, Public Lands] may be cited as the ‘Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000’.”

§ 7102. Definitions

In this chapter:

(1) Adjusted share

The term “adjusted share” means the number equal to the quotient obtained by dividing—

- (A) the number equal to the quotient obtained by dividing—

- (i) the base share for the eligible county; by

- (ii) the income adjustment for the eligible county; by

- (B) the number equal to the sum of the quotients obtained under subparagraph (A) and paragraph (8)(A) for all eligible counties.

(2) Base share

The term “base share” means the number equal to the average of—

- (A) the quotient obtained by dividing—

- (i) the number of acres of Federal land described in paragraph (7)(A) in each eligible county; by

- (ii) the total number acres¹ of Federal land in all eligible counties in all eligible States; and

- (B) the quotient obtained by dividing—

- (i) the amount equal to the average of the 3 highest 25-percent payments and safety net payments made to each eligible State for each eligible county during the eligibility period; by

- (ii) the amount equal to the sum of the amounts calculated under clause (i) and paragraph (9)(B)(i) for all eligible counties in all eligible States during the eligibility period.

(3) County payment

The term “county payment” means the payment for an eligible county calculated under section 7111(b) of this title.

(4) Eligible county

The term “eligible county” means any county that—

- (A) contains Federal land (as defined in paragraph (7)); and

- (B) elects to receive a share of the State payment or the county payment under section 7112(b) of this title.

(5) Eligibility period

The term “eligibility period” means fiscal year 1986 through fiscal year 1999.

(6) Eligible State

The term “eligible State” means a State or territory of the United States that received a 25-percent payment for 1 or more fiscal years of the eligibility period.

(7) Federal land

The term “Federal land” means—

- (A) land within the National Forest System, as defined in section 1609(a) of this title exclusive of the National Grasslands and land utilization projects designated as National Grasslands administered pursuant to the Act of July 22, 1937 (7 U.S.C. 1010-1012); and

- (B) such portions of the revested Oregon and California Railroad and reconveyed Coos

¹ So in original. Probably should be preceded by “of”.